

KEY STAGE 4: FACULTY OF GLOBAL STUDIES

GEOGRAPHY

Who can I ask for more information?

DR N CURTIS

What course do I follow?

GCSE GEOGRAPHY: AQA (1-9)

What will I study?

The course has been developed to be exciting, relevant and interesting. The issues it deals with are the most important challenges facing the world today. It will give you inside information on the causes of these different challenges, the impact they have on us and our environment and what we can do to help overcome the problems we face to build a more sustainable future nationally and globally. The content of this course is divided into different themes. In today's rapidly changing world, never has Geography been a more relevant and popular subject to study

The Fieldwork:

In Geography, fieldwork must take place outside the classroom and school grounds on at least two occasions. Students must carry out two geographical enquiries in contrasting environments and show an understanding of both physical and human geography. In at least one of the enquiries students are expected to show an understanding about the interaction between physical and human geography. The most likely location for the Geography fieldtrip will be the North Wales coast, in and around Llandudno. Here, issues of coastal management and tourism will be studied.

Subject content:

Living with the physical environment

The challenge of natural hazards – Earthquakes, Tropical Storms, UK Weather Hazards

The living world – Ecosystems

Physical landscapes in the UK – Coasts and Rivers

Challenges in the human environment

3.2.1 Section A: Urban issues and challenges

3.2.2 Section B: The changing economic world

3.2.3 Section C: The challenge of resource management

The course is examined over 3 final exam papers: one Physical Geography paper, one Human Geography paper, these test the 'taught content', and a final paper which is 1) An Issue evaluation (based on pre-release booklet) and 2) A Fieldwork Paper based on 2 pieces of fieldwork which will be carried out by the students.

DETAILS OF ASSESSMENT

The course is subject to change due to the governmental changes in syllabus structure.